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SUBJ: VISIT OF DEPSEC ROBINSON: PRESS GUIDANCE: UNITED STATES  
DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO THE PHILIPPINES

Q. WHAT LEVEL OF ECONOMIC AID MAY THE PHILIPPINES EXPECT  
FROM THE UNITED STATES OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS?

A. AT THE RECENT PHILIPPINES CONSULATIVE GROUP MEETING IN  
PARIS CHAIRED BY THE WORLD BANK, THE UNITED STATES  
DELEGATION INDICATED THE 1977 AID CONTRIBUTION FROM THE  
U.S. WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY THE SAME AS THE 1976 LEVEL  
OF \$80 MILLION. WE WOULD ALSO HOPE TO PROVIDE ABOUT  
THE SAME LEVEL OF AID IN 1978.

Q. TO WHAT AREAS DOES THE UNITED STATES AID PROGRAM  
ASSISTANCE GO IN THE PHILIPPINES?

A. WE ASSIST GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE PROGRAMS IN  
POPULATION, NUTRITION AND HEALTH, AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT,  
INCLUDING RURAL ELECTRIFICATION, CITY AND MUNICIPALITY  
WATER SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT, AGRARIAN REFORM, CORN AND  
RICE PRODUCTION, AND PROVINCIAL AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT.  
THESE PROGRAMS BENEFIT POOR PEOPLE IN BOTH URBAN AND  
RURAL AREAS.

Q. THE RECENT IGA REPORT ON NUTRITION INDICATES THAT THE  
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NUTRITION PROGRAM IN THE PHILIPPINES IS NOT SUCCESSFUL.

A. THE IGA REPORT STATES THE NUTRITION PROGRAM HAS A WELL  
DEVELOPED AND TARGETED SUPPLEMENTAL FEEDING PROGRAM WHICH  
SHOULD BE INTEGRATED IN COORDINATED WITH OTHER DEVELOPMENT  
PROGRAMS IN A COMPREHENSIVE NUTRITION STRATEGY.

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